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For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED

CIRCUIT DEVICE AND METHOD

OF TESTING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the first office Action in the present application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/865,371 filed May 29, 1997, which application is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 20-40 as follows:

--20. A semiconductor device comprising:

a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

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